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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8(a)

I hereby certify that the attached papers and fees are being deposited with the United States Postal Service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10, sent as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on the date set forth below.

<u>3/4/03</u> Date

Sharon R. Matthews

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 9, 19, 29, 39, 48 and 52 as noted on the attachment.

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

This Amendment and Response is filed in reply to the Office Action dated September 4, 2002. A petition for a three-month Extension of Time for Response, up to and including March 4, 2002 is filed herewith. The Commissioner is authorized to debit the petition of time, as well as any other fee necessary to maintain the pendency of this application, from Deposit Account No. 08-0219.